

Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 01 PRAGUE 00800 180933Z

16

ACTION COME-00

INFO OCT-01 EUR-25 ISO-00 AGR-20 EB-11 CIAE-00 INR-10

NSAE-00 RSC-01 DRC-01 /069 W
----- 104440

R 171455Z APR 74

FM AMEMBASSY PRAGUE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6073

INFO AMEMBASSY VIENNA

UNCLAS PRAGUE 0800

FOR COMMERCE BEWT/TDAD (STECHSCHULTE) AND
BIC/OED/DEPD; ALSO FOR USDA/FAS

VIENNA FOR USEWTC

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: BEXP, BTRA, EAGR, CZ

SUBJECT: FOREIGN BUYER GROUP TO U.S. (JZD SLUSOVICE)

REFERENCE: A) STATE A-2270 OF MARCH 15, 1974;

B) STATE 16997.

1. DR. JAN CACHA, HEAD OF ECONOMIC SECTION OF LARGE JZD (COLLECTIVE FARM) AT SLUSOVICE, MORAVIA HAS APPROACHED EMBASSY FOR ASSISTANCE IN ARRANGING COMMERICAL VISITS FOR CZECH AGRICULTURAL GROUP TO LEADING MANUFACTURERS IN U.S. OF:
A) HARVESTING MACHINES AND COMBINES (FOR CORN AND GRAIN),
B) BROILER (POULTRY) PRODUCTION EQUIPMENT, C) EQUIPMENT OR TECHNOLOGY FOR LAMB PRODUCTION. GROUP COMPRISED OF ING. FRANTISEK CUBA, DIRECTOR OF JZD; ING. MIROSLAV ZAJIC, TECHNICIAN; AND CACHA, PLAN TO BE IN U.S. (AT OWN EXPENSE) FOR TWO WEEKS BEGINNING JUNE 22 AND ENDING O/A JULY 6, 1974. FIRST WORKING WEEK (MONDAY, JUNE 24 THROUGH FRIDAY, JUNE 28) WILL BE FREE FOR POSSIBLE COMMERCE-ARRANGED VISITS AS OUTLINED ABOVE. SECOND WEEK WILL BE DEVOTED TO TOURING CATTLE RANCHES IN SOUTHEASTERN PART OF U.S. AT INVITATION OF AUSTRIAN REPRESENTATIVE (DIMITRA GMBH, SCHWEDENPL. 2,
UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 PRAGUE 00800 180933Z

VIENNA 1 - TEL. 63 05 09) OF U.S. FIRM, ROSS HOLM,

110 HOWARD STREET, PETALUMA, CALIFORNIA 94952 (TELEPHONE: AC 707 763 1595). MR. GILBERT A. VAN PUTTE, MANAGING DIRECTOR OF DIMITRA, WILL ACCOMPANY GROUP THROUGHOUT ENTIRE TWO WEEK PERIOD, ACTING AS GUIDE AND INTERPRETER. VAN PUTTE SPEAKS FLUENT ENGLISH.

2. JZD SLUSOVICE IS MAJOR AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVE WITH BROAD RESPONSIBILITIES IN MORAVIA FOR INTRODUCING LATEST TECHNOLOGY AND EQUIPMENT IN AREAS OUTLINED PARAGRAPH (1). JZD SLUSOVICE HAS AREA OF 3,938 HECTARES, OR 9,730 ARES, ABOUT ONE-THIRD OF WHICH IS PRESENTLY DEVOTED TO CULTIVATION OF POTATOES, BEETS, AND OATS. TOTAL EMPLOYMENT: 1,200. COOPERATIVE EMBARKED ON PROGRAM UNDER 1971-75 FIVE-YEAR PLAN TO INCREASE AREA UNDER TILLAGE, THUS INCREASING PRODUCTION OF TRADITIONAL CROPS AND OPENING POSSIBILITY FOR INTRODUCING NEW ONES (INCLUDING CORN), AND TO EXPAND BEEF, POULTRY, LAMB AND MILK OUTPUT. ACCORDING TO VAN PUTTE (DIMITRA), JZD IS ONE OF MOST PROGRESSIVE AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVES IN CSSR WITH AN ACTIVE PROGRAM UNDERWAY OF MODERNIZATION AND MECHANIZATION. DIRECTOR CUBA IS REPORTEDLY MOST INTERESTED IN LOOKING OVER LATEST U.S. FARM EQUIPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY FOR POSSIBLE PURCHASES DURING CURRENT FIVE-YEAR PLAN.

4. EMBASSY WOULD LIKE PRELIMINARY READING FROM COMMERCE WHETHER FIVE-DAY PROGRAM OF VISITS TO SUCH FIRMS AS INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER, JOHN DEERE, AND NEW HOLLAND (FOR EXAMPLE) MIGHT BE ARRANGED UNDER TERMS REFERENCE (A). WE HAVE TENTATIVELY AGREED TO INFORM CACHA AT JZD AND VAN PUTTE IN VIENNA BY END APRIL OF POSSIBILITY OF COMMERCE DEPARTMENT'S COOPERATION.

5. COMMERCE MAY WISH TO CONTACT MR. BILL HOLM OF ROSS HOLM IN PETALUMA FOR CONFIRMATION OF GROUP'S PRGRAM IN FLORIDE, WHICH WE UNDERSTAND WILL BE PARTIALLY UNDER AUSPICES OF HOLSTEIN-FRIESIAN ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA, BRATTLEBORA, VERMONT (TEL 802 254 4551), AND FOR FURTHER DETAILS.

UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 03 PRAGUE 00800 180933Z

6. GIVEN DIFFICULTIES CREATED FOR COMMERCE BY VISIT TO U.S. OF CZECH VETERINARY SANITATION DIRECTOR LAST OCTOBER (STATE 210923 OF 10/25/73), EMBASSY WILL COORDINATE THIS VISIT WITH APPROPRIATE MINISTRIES TO INSURE THAT CZECH EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON WILL BE AWARE OF JZD GROUP'S PLANS AND BE ABLE TO ASSIST IN ARRANGEMENTS IF REQUIRED.

WORTZEL

UNCLASSIFIED

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: FARM EQUIPMENT, TRADE VISITS, AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVES
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 17 APR 1974
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: n/a
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: n/a
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment:
Disposition Date: 01 JAN 1960
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1974PRAGUE00800
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D740090-0107
From: PRAGUE
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1974/newtext/t19740436/aaaabghj.tel
Line Count: 116
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION COME
Original Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 3
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: n/a
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: A) STATE A-2270 OF MARCH 15, 1974;
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: WorrelSW
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 05 SEP 2002
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <05 SEP 2002 by BryanSD>; APPROVED <23 DEC 2002 by WorrelSW>
Review Markings:

Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
30 JUN 2005

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: FOREIGN BUYER GROUP TO U.S. (JZD SLUSOVICE)
TAGS: BEXP, BTRA, EAGR, CZ, JZD SLUSOVICE, (CACHA, JAN), (CUBA, FRANTISEK), (ZAJIC, MIROSLAV)
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005